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### **PSC APPROVES AGREEMENT WHICH REDUCES SEWER RATES FOR OZARK MEADOW CUSTOMERS OF AQUA MISSOURI**

JEFFERSON CITY—The Missouri Public Service Commission has approved an agreement between the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and Aqua Missouri, Inc. which reduces the sewer rates of customers in the company's Ozark Meadow service area near Laurie, Missouri. The rate reduction takes effect August 26, 2006.

Aqua Missouri, Inc. filed its rate request on May 17, 2005 in which it sought to increase sewer revenues by approximately \$2,268 a year. The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission conducted a thorough audit of the books and records of Aqua Missouri, Inc. Based upon that audit, the PSC Staff stated a sewer rate reduction of approximately \$4,732 was necessary for the company to recover its cost of service. Aqua Missouri, Inc. agreed with the PSC Staff recommendation.

The Office of the Public Counsel, a state agency representing the general public in cases before the Commission, is not a signatory to the agreement but did not object to the agreement.

Currently a residential customer in the Ozark Meadow service area pays a flat monthly sewer rate of \$35.00. Under this agreement, that rate will drop to \$10.35 a month.

Aqua Missouri, Inc. serves approximately 15 residential sewer customers in its Ozark Meadow service area in Morgan County near Laurie, Missouri.

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